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TO : MR. TOLSON

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

DATE: April 25, 1946

W. J. L. Saunders

Carl Saunders asked the following question at the special White House press conference for the visiting newsmen: "Is the FBI to figure in a Central Intelligence Agency?"

The President replied: "Yes, the FBI will have a very important part. I want the FBI in the set-up as I don't want an American Gestapo."

Carl told me that there were many questions directed to the President and he did not devote much time to any of them; however, in talking to others they were all impressed with the President's statement regarding a Central Intelligence Agency.

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☐ Mr. Ladd
☐ Mr. Nichols
☐ Mr. Rosen
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☐ Miss Gandy
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Mr. Tolson.....
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TO : THE DIRECTOR
 FROM : D. M. Ladd
 SUBJECT: NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY

DATE: May 3, 1946

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 Miss Gandy

I attended a meeting of the Central Intelligence Group of the National Intelligence Authority on the afternoon of May 3, 1946. This meeting was attended by Colonel Cunningham, Captain Goldwaite, Colonel Boberg and Dr. Parkman, the other members of this committee. At the opening of the meeting Colonel Cunningham stated that he had made a discreet check of the Stewart Alsop story, that he had found out that this had been apparently deliberately planted by SSU, that the story had gotten down to a minor officer in SSU who was urged to contact Alsop and arrange for such a story in a deliberate attempt to perpetuate the activities of SSU. In view of this and in view of the fact that it was necessary to take some immediate action in China to effect better coverage than presently maintained by SSU, it was necessary that some action be taken at once. It was proposed that the National Intelligence Authority take over the active operation in China in view of the fact that no decision has yet been received from the FBI concerning world-wide operations. I pointed out to the committee that in the event the National Intelligence Authority went into the operating, chances are it would expand and would continue in that field, which would be dangerous. It was pointed out by the committee that in effect the National Intelligence Authority is in the operating field now by reason of its control of SSU and that Colonel Fortier is presently operating SSU as a member of the National Intelligence Authority. Colonel Cunningham stated that Colonel Fortier had now become so wrapped up and intrigued that he was not carrying out the liquidation of SSU as was desired by the National Intelligence Authority, particularly that portion of SSU known as SI. In view thereof, the committee recommended that the control of SSU be transferred from Colonel Fortier to a three man board represented by National Intelligence Authority as an interim operation and in order that this three man board might start immediately on the liquidation of SSU in order to stop the intrigue and their attempts to perpetuate themselves and that this three man board continue to operate those portions of X2 which are still needed for world coverage until such time as some agency did take over world intelligence. It was pointed out that this recommendation would be submitted to the National Intelligence Authority.

A further meeting has been called for Monday, May 6, 1946, at 10:00 AM.

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Rear Admiral Sidney W. Souers
Director, Central Intelligence Group
Room 4253, New War Department Building
21st and Virginia Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Rear Admiral Souers:

For some time, I have been furnishing to you daily information from the FBI's CIC operations for inclusion in "The Daily Bulletin" prepared by the National Intelligence Authority. It would be helpful to me in evaluating and preparing this material for you if I could receive copies of this "Daily Bulletin". If consistent with policy, I would, therefore, appreciate being placed on the mailing list.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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TO : THE DIRECTOR
 FROM : Edw. A. Tamm
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 Mr. Rosen
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0 National Intelligence Authority

Commander Kress, currently associated with the Meade Committee as an officer of the Maritime Service, called at my office. Kress stated he had recently talked to Admiral Souers proposing to him that the Central Intelligence Authority consider a program of utilizing carefully selected officers of the U. S. Maritime Service as intelligence agents. Kress stated that there are 35,000 of these officers and that from this group certainly five hundred or a thousand after careful check could be utilized as intelligence agents, couriers, etc. Admiral Souers referred Mr. Kress to you advising him that such a matter would be within your jurisdiction. I explained the limited responsibilities which the Bureau has in the Western Hemisphere at the present time and pointed out that the consideration of a suggestion such as that of Commander Kress should be made by the agency selected to operate a worldwide intelligence service. I told Commander Kress that I knew you would appreciate having the benefit of his views upon this subject but I suggested to him that in the event of a further discussion with Admiral Souers, he point out to him that the proposed program would have to be considered in connection with any coordinated or single agency plan for a worldwide intelligence service.

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: May 9, 1946

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY

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Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
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Miss Beahm	
Miss Gandy	

I attended another meeting of the Central Intelligence Group of the National Intelligence Authority on the morning of May 9, 1946. This meeting was called for the purpose of advising that Admiral Souers had instructed that this group submit a report prior to May 17, Friday of next week, recommending an interim setup for the handling of intelligence, in view of the fact that no group has been set up to take over world-wide intelligence. It was pointed out that a recommendation has been submitted with reference to the China theater to the effect that SSU be liquidated and that G-2 take over the intelligence operations on an interim basis. It was stated that a report should be submitted with reference to the Norway-Sweden-Denmark setup and Colonel Cunningham stated that he at this time thought the recommendation to be submitted should be that the State Department take over the activities formerly conducted by SSU and that that group be liquidated in that area. With reference to Central Europe, Colonel Cunningham stated that the War Department advised that they were dependent to a large extent on SSU and that, therefore, it was believed desirable that the War Department take over the operations of SSU in that area, on an interim basis. With reference to the Western Hemisphere, it was stated that the question of the FBI continued operation was to be considered, likewise on an interim basis.

The reason for the urgency of this report being that the various agencies concerned would have to prepare and submit their 1948 budgets in the immediate future and, therefore, Admiral Souers desired this report to be submitted to him for consideration no later than Friday the 17th of May.

A meeting has been called for 10:00 AM, Monday, May 13, 1946, to start drafting the interim recommendations outlined above.

It is believed necessary that I receive direction in order that I might be able to participate properly in these meetings; first, as to whether any recommendation should be made about the FBI assuming world-wide coverage and second, as to whether any recommendation should be made for the FBI's continued SIS work in the Western Hemisphere for the year July 1, 1947 through June 30, 1948.

There is attached hereto a memorandum to the Attorney General advising of the necessity for an early decision concerning the first item herein above.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : Mr. D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY

DATE: May 14, 1946

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Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
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I attended another meeting of the Central Intelligence Group of the National Intelligence Authority on the afternoon of May 14, 1946. On this occasion, as I advised you in my memorandum of May 13, 1946, a preliminary draft was drawn up of an interim agreement for the handling of the intelligence coverage for the world on an interim basis. In this directive as presently drawn, it is recommended that those activities of SSU in Central Europe, but not the Balkans, be transferred in toto to G-2 of the Theater Command for the use of the military government. *EX-13*

It is further provided that G-2 will cover world-wide intelligence on an interim basis, this to be decreased and turned over to the FBI at such time as the FBI is ready to assume world-wide intelligence coverage. *EX-13*

It is provided that ONI shall have world-wide coverage for the purpose of obtaining naval intelligence material. *EX-13*

It is provided that G-2 have world-wide coverage for obtaining military intelligence. *EX-13*

It is proposed that the FBI continue in the Western Hemisphere for the fiscal year 1948 as at present, covering economic, financial, political, and subversive matters, and that it expand its operations to world-wide coverage at the earliest practical date, and that a new Delimitation Agreement be drawn up between ONI, G-2, and the FBI to be concurred in by the Director of the National Intelligence Authority, delimiting and removing G-2 from all except the military intelligence field at such time as the FBI is able to assume jurisdiction in any given area. *EX-13*

It is also provided that the intelligence activities be coordinated by a head to be designated by the Director of the National Intelligence Authority which is to be concurred in by the Directors of the FBI, G-2, and ONI, and the head of Foreign Correlation of the State Department (this would be Fred Lyon), that this head when appointed should be assisted by a subcommittee on a permanent basis representing G-2, ONI, the head of Foreign Correlation of the State Department (Fred Lyon), and an Assistant Director of the FBI. *EX-13*

A further meeting of the Central Intelligence Group is planned for 3:30 PM, Wednesday, May 15, 1946, for the purpose of going over the final draft of this proposal. It is pointed out in this proposal that the reason for the urgency is the fact that the various agencies will have to prepare in the immediate future their budget requests for 1948. It is also set forth in this directive that the activities of SSU shall be completely liquidated. *EX-13*

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What is to be the purpose of this?
It looks like just another position being created. I thought someone supposed to do this. She was this etc.

These are to be more "broad" than the ones that are now being prepared. H.

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Memorandum for the Director

throughout the world, including their Washington, D. C., staff, at the earliest practicable date, within 90 days if possible, and that the files of X-2 shall be turned over to the nearest American Consulate inasmuch as the State Department advises they are valuable for reference purposes in granting visas. The files in Washington are to be turned over to the Central Intelligence Group for such disposal as the Group will deem necessary after a study of these records. (S)(X)U

As a matter of interest, Colonel Cunningham stated at this meeting that on the Monday following the newspaper article by Stuart Alsop relative to the directive liquidating SSU and recommending the FBI for world-wide coverage, Jimmy Murphy of SSU was fired. The reason for this was that it had been learned that he had arranged for a subordinate official of SSU to plant the story with Alsop in order that that article might be written. (S)(X)U

There is no use providing for
FBI to take over or assume
world-wide intelligence coverage
for we are not going to do it.
The most I will agree to now is to
stay in Western office for 1 year.
I am more & more certain that this
is a project we must get out of. The
trouble we had in Germany, Japan,
& refusal of Doner to supply us
with daily Ant. Durney, & Durney's
protest to Pres. MacArthur based
on an agreement entered into with
British Embassy to us & all
tend to show what a headache we
would have. We would be carrying most
of the work with none of the full
authority to get it done properly.
H.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. M. Ladd *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY

DATE: May 16, 1946

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With reference to your inquiry concerning the coordination of the intelligence activities as proposed in the interim agreement, I desire to advise that Admiral Souers will coordinate intelligence activities as the head of the National Intelligence Authority. However, one of his assistants will be designated by him to handle this work for him and the provision in the tentative draft provides merely that such assistant must be acceptable to the Directors of the intelligence agencies themselves.

a very bad move. It means someone in addition to Souers will try to ride "hard" over us. I am definitely allergic to "coordinators" anyway. I had only fill of them during the War - abt. Oct. 42.

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 5/9/46

FROM : Mr. Edw. A. Tamm

Call: 9:26 A.M.

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Admiral Souers' call was transferred to me by your office at the above time. He advised there was to be a meeting in Room 5106, at 2:30 P.M. today to wind up several papers including one on security and one on monitoring.

The Admiral would like to have you attend this meeting today, if possible.

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 _____ Mr. Nease
 _____ Mr. Welch
 _____ Miss Gandy
 _____ Mr. Carson
 _____ MR. _____

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Edward A. Tamm
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Captain Tom Cullen of the National Intelligence Authority dropped in my office this morning and during the discussion he advised that he had recently talked to Admiral Inglis and numerous other officers in ONI and had learned from all of them that they were all anxious for the FBI to take over world intelligence on the same basis as it is operated in South America. Captain Cullen stated further that General Vandenberg, Colonel Forney and several others in G-2 were likewise interested in having the FBI secure this world coverage but that he had gathered that a large number of the other officials in G-2 were opposed to the Bureau going into this field but that General Vandenberg's views were that definitely the FBI was the agency to handle this work.

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Maybe so but there
are many opposed. I don't
believe Inglis really wants us.
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TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : Mr. D. H. Ladd

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY

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At a meeting of the National Intelligence Authority on the afternoon of May 15, 1946, the final draft of an interim agreement for the handling of the intelligence coverage for the world was approved.

This interim agreement, as I indicated in my memorandum to you of May 14th, provides for 1-2 to cover world-wide intelligence on an interim basis, this coverage to be decreased and turned over to the FBI at such time as the FBI is ready to assume world-wide intelligence coverage. It also recommends that the FBI continue its present operations during the fiscal year 1948 and during that period expand its operations to cover the world.

This interim agreement, after review by the National Intelligence Authority, will be submitted to the Intelligence Advisory Board for their comments. You will recall that you are a member of this Advisory Board.

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The most we will do
to cover Western Hem.
thru June 1947.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

May 2, 1946

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I would appreciate being advised as soon as possible of your views concerning the desirability of the FBI accepting additional responsibilities in the foreign intelligence field. You will recall that in my conversation with you a few days ago you stated you wanted to think this matter over and possibly discuss it with the President.

I would like to have an early indication of your wishes so that I might in turn informally advise Admiral Borgess of what we will do in this particular project.

Respectfully

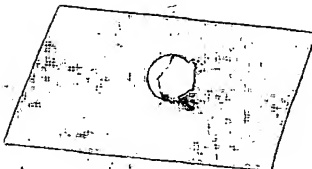
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Director

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

May 8, 1946

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

EX-40 FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE COVERAGE

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I am in receipt of the note of Mr. Donald C. Cook of your office, dated May 6, 1946, reflecting that it is your view that it would be undesirable for the Federal Bureau of Investigation to accept additional responsibilities in the foreign intelligence field but that if it is suggested, in view of the Department's available facilities, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has a duty to participate in the intelligence program you believe that we should participate.

The Central Intelligence Group, headed by Admiral Souers, has prepared a recommendation that the FBI jurisdiction for intelligence coverage of the Western Hemisphere be continued and FBI activities be gradually expanded to cover anti-subversive intelligence, world wide, similar to the coverage which has been provided in the Western Hemisphere. The present plan of intelligence coverage in the Western Hemisphere, of course, provides for an FBI representative in charge in each country who coordinates our intelligence work closely with the office of the Naval Intelligence (Naval Attache) and the Military Intelligence (Military Attache). The Office of Naval Intelligence and of Military Intelligence, of course, are primarily responsible for intelligence gathered in connection with Naval and Military matters.

I am attaching, for your information, a photostatic copy of a proposed ~~Top Secret~~ memorandum prepared by Admiral Souers, the Director of the Central Intelligence Group, for the members of the Intelligence Advisory Board which, as you know, is composed of the Secretaries of State, War and Navy and Admirals of the White House. This memorandum sets out in detail the conclusions reached by the Central Planning Committee and the recommendations which Admiral Souers proposes to make, as a basis for the issuance of a directive extending our coverage as noted above.

You will observe that the proposal of the Central Intelligence Group places the responsibility upon the FBI for intelligence coverage throughout the world. I am, of course, dubious about the desirability of accepting this responsibility and it was this proposed program of the Central Intelligence Group in mind that I suggested to you the matter be discussed with the President.

In the event the President and you believe that the Bureau should not accept the responsibility for worldwide intelligence coverage, I believe that the Bureau should nevertheless continue to maintain its present SIS activities in the Western Hemisphere until

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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The Attorney General

June 30, 1947, when the currently approved appropriation will expire, or until such time prior thereto as the new Intelligence Authority is prepared to take over the Western Hemisphere coverage. I think that the Bureau should be authorized under the new intelligence program, in the event the Bureau does not have foreign coverage, to continue to investigate subversive activities, espionage and sabotage within the United States. The Bureau would, of course, under any proposed new program make available to the new intelligence agency information and data contained in its files either by promptly handling requested checks of the Bureau's files or in voluntarily furnishing current information as it is developed or received. The Bureau would, of course, furnish to the new intelligence agency such material growing out of its domestic investigations as was believed valuable to the intelligence agency.

I am anxious to obtain a clarification of this situation as soon as possible and will appreciate your prompt handling of this matter.

As soon as it is practical for you to do so, will you please return to me the attached copy of the Top Secret proposal of the Central Intelligence Group.

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Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Glavin _____
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tamm

DATE: May 6, 1946

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE COVERAGE

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Mr. Nease	
Miss Beahm	
Miss Gandy	

With reference to the memorandum to the Director from Donald C. Cook of the Department relative to the Bureau extending its activities into the foreign intelligence field, I telephonically communicated with Mr. Cook on the evening of May 6, 1946, to inquire just what information the Attorney General desired.

Mr. Cook stated that the Attorney General had stated first that he thought the Bureau should have no part of worldwide intelligence but secondly has been of the opinion that if we just declined that the National Intelligence authority would make a plea stating that the FBI owed it to the country to participate, and that anticipating such a plea the Attorney General wanted to have some information as to the extent of the program before a definite decision is rendered. Accordingly, there is attached hereto a memorandum to the Attorney General enclosing a copy of the proposed directive relative to the FBI assuming ~~a~~ worldwide anti-subversive intelligence jurisdiction, which it is believed will answer the query of the Attorney General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm ✓
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd ✓
Mr. Nichols ✓
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Carson ✓
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Pennington _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____

I am a little afraid of the proposed memorandum to Tom Clark. The attachment assigns to the Bureau worldwide intelligence coverage and I feel that upon receiving it he may approve it. I think that what we probably should send to Clark is a memorandum pointing out that in connection with worldwide intelligence, the Bureau will --

- (1) Carry on its present SIS activities until June 30, 1947, unless in the meanwhile the new intelligence agency is prepared to take over the western hemisphere coverage;
- (2) That the Bureau will continue to investigate subversive activities, espionage and sabotage within the United States;
- (3) That the Bureau will make available through requested name searches to the new intelligence agency such information contained in its files as may be pertinent to the intelligence operations.
- (4) The Bureau will furnish to the Central Intelligence Agency such material growing out of its domestic investigations as is believed valuable to the new intelligence agency.

I think that the submission of such an outline will enable the Attorney General to outline what cooperation and assistance may be expected from the Bureau without carrying with it any suggestions that might enlarge our responsibility.

I think Ladd's memo,
as prepared, answers
A. S.'s query

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Respectfully,

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY

DATE: May 20, 1946

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Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

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Colonel Cunningham called me this afternoon to advise that the proposed Interim Agreement, designating the FBI to continue its work in the Western Hemisphere and to expand its operation to world-wide coverage, was up before one of the Review Committees of the National Intelligence Authority prior to its final drafting for the Advisory Board, of which you are a member, and that this Review Committee is changing the directive in so far as it affects the responsibility for the FBI. Colonel Cunningham stated that he wanted the Bureau to know that this change was being made and that at such time as the paper was finished, it would be submitted to you as a member of the Advisory Board for your views. He stated that the FBI's responsibility was being restricted to the coverage of those activities on a world-wide basis that tied in with the Bureau's responsibility pertaining to internal security in the Domestic Field.

As noted above, Colonel Cunningham stated that Admiral Souers would send this paper to you as a member of the Advisory Board in the near future.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. TAMM
MR. LADD
MR. CARSON

I returned Admiral Seneers call at this time, and he indicated to me that he was sure certain clauses of the new Intelligence agreement being drawn up would not be agreeable with me. The Admiral asked if it would be satisfactory for Mr. Ladd to work as liaison with his men in connection with this matter. I assured him this would be entirely satisfactory with me.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

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June 10, 1946

11:47AM

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. TAMM
MR. LADD

Admiral Souers called to advise there would be a meeting of the JAR this afternoon at 2:30 PM in Room 51362 and if I could not attend he would like Mr. Ladd to represent the Bureau. I told him that Mr. Ladd would be there. Admiral Souers stated that one of the matters coming up again is the JARIS.

He further advised that they had started a weekly publication Friday and he was going to put my name on this one. I told him I would appreciate this.

Admiral Souers thanked me for my recent letter commending him as Director of Central Intelligence and stated that he would be over to see me in the near future.

Very truly yours,

J. E. H.

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

FROM : C. H. Carson

SUBJECT: Central Intelligence Group -
Proposed Directive for Coordinating
the Acquisition of Foreign Publications

DATE: June 6, 1946

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Jones
Mr. Quinn Tamm
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Mr. Nease
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There is attached a "Memorandum for the Intelligence Advisory Board" requesting approval, disapproval, or suggested changes in a proposed directive by the NIA concerning the coordinating of acquisition of foreign publications for the United States Government. This directive merely proposes that a permanent inter-departmental committee be established as a part of the National Intelligence Authority, the Department of State to administer the committee and furnish the secretariat. It also provides that the Director of Central Intelligence will invite the Librarian of Congress to be Chairman of the committee and invitations for membership on the committee will be sent to all federal agencies interested in the acquisition of foreign publications for conduct of their business.

The committee will coordinate acquisition of publications, originate recommendations to the several departments or agencies concerning the development of their libraries on such publications, originate recommendations to the Department of State in matters of policy in connection with procurement of foreign library material through the foreign service, and review requisitions on the State Department procurement facilities. A representative of the Director of Central Intelligence is to be Vice-Chairman of the committee.

The Bureau has no particular interest in this field, it being noted that as long as we engage in foreign intelligence we can obtain the publications desired by us through our own facilities. In general, the Bureau has little need for foreign publications in connection with its domestic work. It is believed that we should defer to the judgment of the Director of Central Intelligence in this matter and that we should not vote approval inasmuch as it does not particularly concern us and it may commit us to some course of action in the future.

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There is attached the form forwarded by the Director of Central Intelligence which is to be returned with a notation that we desire to defer to the judgment of the Director of Central Intelligence. It should be noted that it is requested that this form be returned to the Director of Central Intelligence today, June 6, 1946. It is recommended that the Liaison Section deliver this form to the Director of Central Intelligence today.

Attachment

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: June 6, 1946

FROM : D. M. LADD *DL*

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY

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Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

With reference to your call from Admiral Sauers relative to the directive being drawn up by the National Intelligence Authority concerning laboratory work, I desire to advise that Colonel Sands of the National Intelligence Authority called at my office this morning. He brought with him a preliminary draft of a directive which is to be issued, which directive covers the coordination of the research and allocation of methods of communication by [REDACTED]

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This directive sets up a committee consisting of a representative of the Division of Controls of the State Department (Fred Lyon's Division), G-2, ONI and the FBI, to consider and handle questions of the research and allocation of methods of communications.

One section of the directive proposed to consolidate all laboratory facilities' research and personnel of the member agencies. I told Colonel Sands that there should be written into this section a provision excluding the FBI Laboratory inasmuch as the FBI's Laboratory Research Section and personnel could not be consolidated or coordinated. Colonel Sands agreed thereto and is including therein a provision excluding the FBI Laboratory, personnel, etc.

Other than this provision, the balance of the directive is very general and will not affect the FBI in any way. Colonel Sands stated that this provision would be written into the directive, at which time a copy would be furnished to you for your approval as a member of the Intelligence Advisory Board.

I can see no objection to the FBI being represented on the committee inasmuch as it will permit the FBI to keep in touch with the developments in secret communication methods by other agencies and as long as the FBI Laboratory is excluded from any coordination and consolidation I do not see that the Bureau can be affected in any way but may stand to gain the results of other agencies researching by being a member of this committee.

As soon as the directive is received for your review as a member of the Intelligence Advisory Board, it will be submitted to you.

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Under no circumstances do I want any interferences with our Laboratory or its functions by anyone outside of Bureau.

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Office Memorandum : UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. M. Ladd *OK*

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY *W*

DATE: June 11, 1946

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General Chamberlain attended the NIA meeting yesterday, June 10, 1946. He was being sponsored by Colonel Carter Clark, who, you will recall, is the individual who wrote the letter to General Vandenberg at the time of his first appointment at G-2 urging that he cooperate with the FBI. The fact that Carter Clark is sponsoring General Chamberlain around would indicate that he will give Chamberlain the same advice that he gave to Vandenberg and I believe will probably, therefore, result in Chamberlain's working closely with you. Clark and Chamberlain appeared to be well acquainted and were very "chummy".

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. L. LADD

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY

DATE: 5-20-46

I talked to Colonel Cunningham of the National Intelligence Authority today and advised him that the Attorney General had made his decision with reference to the Bureau's participation in world-wide intelligence. I informed him that the Attorney General had stated that the FBI should continue its work in the Western Hemisphere for one year only; that is, through June of 1947, and should not expand to world-wide coverage.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. M. Ladd *DL*

SUBJECT: *Q* NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY

DATE: May 16, 1946

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Beahm	
Miss Gandy	

Colonel Cunningham of the National Intelligence Authority brought the attached letter to my office this noon requesting your advice with reference to a continuation of SI and X-2 of SSU, which was formerly OSS, in the long-range peacetime organization for the collection of foreign intelligence information. He asked that an indorsement be placed on the attached letter and returned to him.

It would be my recommendation that we advise that it is the Bureau's opinion that the functions of SI and X-2 of SSU were a war-time function and that they should be liquidated and not maintained as a peacetime organization.

In the event you approve, such an indorsement will be placed on the attached letter and returned to Colonel Cunningham.

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ADDENDUM

For your information, SI is the secret intelligence branch of SSU and X-2 is the positive intelligence branch of SSU.

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EAT:DS May 17, 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With reference to the attached memorandum of Mr. Ladd in which he recommends that the Bureau take the position that SI and X-2 should be liquidated, I believe it is now time to change our position with reference to the various questions arising relative to the set-up of the intelligence organizations. I believe that we should offer suggestions on policy matters in connection with the operation of an intelligence service as a result of our experience in the SIS field and particularly with reference to present or potential operations in the Western Hemisphere. I do not think, however, that we should take any positive position with reference to operational questions, particularly as to the desirability or undesirability of establishing, continuing, expanding or contracting existing organizations or the creation of new ones.

Since we know definitely now that we will not be in the intelligence picture and our position will be a constantly diminishing one, I think upon questions such as the attached one, we should take the position that we will defer to the judgment of the Central Intelligence Authority.

Respectfully,

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Edw. A. Tamm

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Memorandum ATTORNEY GENERAL

10, 1946

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE COVERAGE

Reference is made to my memorandum of May 7, 1946, which transmitted to you a copy of a top secret memorandum prepared by Admiral Sidney Souers of the Central Intelligence Group, recommending that the FBI jurisdiction for intelligence coverage of the Western Hemisphere be continued and FBI activities be gradually expanded to cover anti-subversive intelligence, world-wide, similar to the coverage which has been provided in the Western Hemisphere.

I am advised that due to the necessity for preparation of budgets for the fiscal year 1948 Admiral Souers desires a complete report in this matter by the Advisory Board of the Central Intelligence Group no later than Friday, May 17. In fact, the Central Planning Board of the CIG will start Monday, May 13, 1946, to draft interim recommendations regarding maintenance of world-wide intelligence and it is, therefore, necessary that I be advised as to your desires with reference to the position to be taken by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in this matter.

I would like to have your advice in this matter as early as possible in order that I may in turn advise Admiral Souers of the Central Intelligence Group.

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: June 13,
1946

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: National Intelligence Authority

Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Rosen
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Miss Gandy

Reference is made to my memorandum dated June 6, 1946, reflecting that Colonel Sands of the National Intelligence Authority had consulted with me concerning a preliminary draft of a directive covering the coordination of research and allocation of methods of communication by secret inks, microphotography, and other methods. The directive proposed setting up a committee consisting of representatives of the Division of Controls of the State Department (Fred Lyon's Division), G-2, ONI, and the FBI to consider and handle questions of research and allocation of methods of communication. It was pointed out that most of the provisions of the directive are very general and do not affect the FBI in any way. However, one section of the directive did propose a consolidation of all laboratory facilities and research personnel of the member agencies. You will recall that I told Colonel Sands there should be written into this section a provision excluding the FBI Laboratory.

There is attached a copy of a proposed directive as finally drawn up which includes a provision under Section 3, Sub B "to consolidate laboratory facilities and research personnel of the member agencies, excluding those of the FBI....."

Also attached is a memorandum by the Director of the Central Intelligence Group pointing out that a survey had been made of existing facilities within the member departments of the NIA concerning research and methods of communication, and it has been established that no coordinating procedure is now in existence. This memorandum states that the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been invited to sit as a member of the Intelligence Advisory Board to consider the subject matter.

Also attached is a memorandum to the NIA concerning the findings of the informal survey which had been made reflecting that the research and communication methods formerly carried on by the Office of Scientific Research and Development, the Office of Censorship, the Army and the Navy, has now been generally abandoned. It states that the FBI does conduct extensive research activities in the field of methods of secret communication, and the Strategic Services Unit continues the original OSS project on a small scale. This memorandum to the NIA recommends the issuance of the proposed directive which is attached.

The directive in brief provides for a committee, as set forth above which will include the Bureau and which shall establish coordinated research in the field, consolidate laboratory facilities with the exception of the FBI, arrange for outside assistance in the program, establish a procedure for allocation of approved systems of communication, and establish and maintain security safeguards.

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Memorandum for the Director

As noted in my previous memorandum, I can see no objection to the FBI being represented on the committee inasmuch as it will permit the FBI to keep in touch with developments in secret communication methods by other agencies.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the proposed directive be approved without change inasmuch as it now excludes the FBI Laboratory from any consolidation procedure. It should be noted that it will be necessary only to check the attached memorandum for the secretary of the National Intelligence Authority in order to indicate approval. This memorandum can be delivered by the Liaison Section after notations have been made on it.

Attachments

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Col. Sanders
10 AM 6/17/46
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

FROM : E. G. Fitch

SUBJECT: DEROGATORY INFORMATION FROM SSU FILES

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DATE: June 17, 1946

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Mr. E. A. Tamm	
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Lt. Col. Peer DeSilva, SSU, advised Special Agent Lynum of the Liaison Section that it was his intention and desire to furnish the FBI with derogatory information contained in the files of SSU, especially in regard to personnel investigations conducted by SSU. He stated this would be a big project in view of the fact that they had several thousand files containing derogatory information, but that as soon as personnel conditions permitted he intended to furnish the FBI with a brief memorandum containing basic derogatory information and if the FBI desired additional information access could be had to the SSU main file. He stated that in connection with current investigations being conducted, he would endeavor to furnish the FBI with derogatory information as it was developed.

This memorandum is purely for informational purposes.

COL:VPS

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June 25, 1946

~~STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL~~
~~BY SPECIAL MESSENGER~~

Lieutenant General Hoyt S. Vandenberg
Director
Central Intelligence Group
Room 2166
New War Department Building
21st and Virginia Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

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6/24/47

Dear General Vandenberg:

Reference is made to the memorandum by the Director of Central Intelligence dated June 20, 1946, entitled, "Functions of the Director of Central Intelligence." To this memorandum was attached a proposed Directive for the National Intelligence Authority detailing certain additional functions for the Director of Central Intelligence, including undertaking basic research and analysis, conducting all federal foreign espionage and counterespionage, and the conducting of federal monitoring of press and propaganda broadcasts of foreign powers.

I desire to indicate my approval of this Directive with the exception that the following changes be made in it. These changes are suggested for clarification purposes only.

I suggest that Section 3 should read: "In addition to the functions specified in Paragraph 3b of the President's letter, the Director of Central Intelligence is hereby directed to act as the executive agent of this Authority in coordinating and supervising all federal intelligence activities performed outside the United States and its possessions relating to the national security in accordance with the overall policies and objectives established by this Authority."

It is suggested that Sub A under Section 4 should read: "Conduct all federal espionage and counterespionage operations outside the United States and its possessions for the collection of foreign intelligence information required for the national security."

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It is noted in the "Discussion" which is carried as Appendix "B" to the suggested Directive that the statement is made concerning the need

for one agency to handle world-wide coverage that, "This does not, of course, preclude the use of specialized departmental personnel under rigid central control." It occurs to me that this statement is probably based upon an erroneous interpretation of the President's letter of January 22, 1946. It is my understanding from a reading of this Directive that authority is given to the National Intelligence Authority to call upon the State, War, and Navy Departments to assign from time to time persons and facilities of their respective departments to work under the direction of the Director of Central Intelligence. As for other departments and agencies, the Directive merely calls for the furnishing by those agencies of "such intelligence information relating to the national security as is in their possession."

If this Directive is approved, it would appear to me that there would be no reason why the Federal Bureau of Investigation should not withdraw as rapidly as possible from Central and South America. I would appreciate it very much if you would advise me as to whether or not you concur with this interpretation by me.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

VPK:mr1

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

FROM : C. H. Carson

SUBJECT: Central Intelligence Group
World-Wide Coverage

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Reference is made to the attached proposed memorandum to the National Intelligence Authority dated June 29, 1946, regarding the extension of the functions of the Director of Central Intelligence. The memorandum states that it has the unanimous concurrence of the Intelligence Advisory Board, including the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Attached to this memorandum is a proposed draft of an NIA Directive which is the same, except for minor changes, as the proposed Directive which was previously received as reflected in my memorandum of June 21, 1946, concerning which we advised General Vandenberg that the Directive was approved except for certain changes which would clarify the jurisdiction of the CIG, that is, making it plain that it was to do operational intelligence only outside the United States and its possessions. It will be recalled that we advised General Vandenberg that if this Directive was approved, it would appear that there would be no reason why the Federal Bureau of Investigation should not withdraw as rapidly as possible from Central and South America. Under the Discussion which was attached to the previous draft submitted to us, it was specifically commented that a single operational agency was necessary because inter-dependency and inter-relationship between geographical areas and foreign countries make it imperative for one agency to handle world coverage. It was also stated in the Discussion that this would not preclude the use of specialized departmental personnel under rigid central control.

The new proposed Directive by the NIA in essence provides the following:

(1) The Director of Central Intelligence is authorized to undertake such research and analysis as may be necessary to determine what functions in the field of national security intelligence are not being presently performed or are not being adequately performed. Based on these determinations, the Director is authorized to centralize such research and analysis activities as may, in his opinion and that of the appropriate member of the Intelligence Advisory Board, be more effectively and efficiently accomplished centrally.

This is the third draft of this section of the proposed Directive. The first draft originally submitted to us stated in effect that the Director of CIG was authorized to undertake such basic research and analysis as may in his opinion be required. Another draft, however, was submitted to us on June 26, 1946, in which this provision was changed to read to the effect that the Director of CIG was authorized to undertake research and analysis which in his opinion and that of the appropriate member of the Intelligence Advisory Board be required to supplement the research and analysis performed by the State, War, and Navy Departments.

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Memorandum for Mr. Ladd

(2) The Director of Central Intelligence is directed to act as the agent of the NIA in coordinating all federal foreign intelligence activities related to the national security. The draft originally read that the Director of CIG is "to act as executive agent of the Authority in coordinating and supervising all federal foreign intelligence activities." The Bureau suggested to General Vandenberg that this section read, "to coordinate and supervise all federal intelligence activities outside the United States and its possessions." The removal of the word "supervise" and the clarification which is set forth further in the last draft of the Directive which is attached would seem to remove the reason for the Bureau's objection.

(3) The Director of Central Intelligence is directed to perform the following services:

- (A) "Conduct of all organized federal espionage and counterespionage operations outside the United States and its possessions....."
- (B) "Conduct of all federal monitoring of press and propaganda broadcasts for foreign powers....."

The original draft of the Directive read that the Director was to conduct all federal espionage and counterespionage for the collection of foreign intelligence. The Bureau's suggestion that this be clarified to indicate that it related only to operations outside the United States was adopted and it would seem to take care of the Bureau's objections made to General Vandenberg in our letter.

Comment

As noted in my previous memorandum, this is, of course, the same super-colossus originally proposed by General Donovan and is not the original plan proposed by the President which was set forth in his previous Directive which made the CIG merely a coordinating agency. The concentration of all foreign intelligence functions, including research and analysis, in the CIG inevitably will place the Bureau at a disadvantage insofar as conducting internal security investigations in the domestic field. It would appear certain that if the Central Intelligence sets up a super-operational outfit, the Bureau would be forced to accede to the desires of the Central Intelligence Group in domestic intelligence problems, if not to give the field entirely to them.

ACTION:

There is attached a letter to General Vandenberg advising him that the proposed Directive is approved inasmuch as the previous undesirable features have been eliminated from it. Reference is again being made, however, to the statement under the Discussion, "This does not, of course, preclude the use of specialized departmental personnel under rigid central control," and it is pointed out that the Bureau's interpretation of the President's letter is that authority is given to the NIA to call upon State, War, and Navy Department personnel and facilities only. The comment is being reiterated also that with the adoption of this Directive, there would appear to be no reason why the Bureau should not withdraw as rapidly as possible from Latin America.

Attachment

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